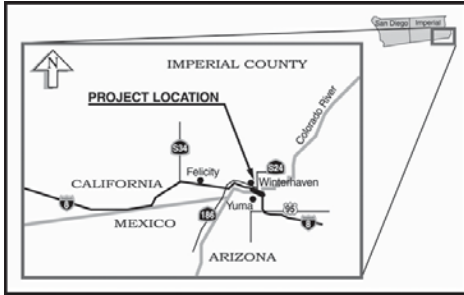


PROJECT TITLE

**CALIFORNIA / ARIZONA BORDER –
GATEWAY / DESERT LANDSCAPING**
(EA 11-26350_)

Insert Location Map Below:



Project Location: In Imperial County at Winterhaven from 0.5 km West of 4th Avenue Overcrossing to Colorado River Viaduct

Co/Rte/KP/PM: Imp/8/R154.8-R155.8 (KP)
R96.2-R96.8 (PM)

Project Description: Landscaping / Scenic Beautification – Transportation Enhancement (TE)

Project Scope: Desert planting with support irrigation and non-living ground treatments.

Existing Funding: IIP: \$659,325
RIP: \$0
State Match: \$85,675

Future Funding Need: \$0

Total Estimated Cost: \$745,000

Project Schedule:

PA&ED - 8/04

PS&E - 8/05

RTL - 10/05

CCA - 10/09

PROJECT INFORMATION

Purpose & Need for the Project

Project Need:

This is the second phase of a project that has been developed with the joint effort of the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO), the California Department of Transportation and the Imperial Valley Association of Governments. Currently there is a dramatic difference between the visual quality along Interstate 8 between the entry to California and the entry to Arizona. The Arizona gateway has desert plantings and enhanced ground treatments. The need to enhance the gateway to California has been identified by Yuma Arizona, District 11 and the Region.

Project Purpose:

The purpose of this project is to enhance approximately 2.2 hectares of State right-of-way along Interstate 8 at the California / Arizona Border. The enhancement would serve as a gateway to California and would include desert planting with support irrigation and non-living ground treatments.